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MYSTERY OF "SOUL BRIDE" AT ABODE OF LOVE.



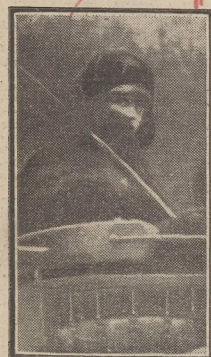
Ruth, the "Soul Bride."



On the threshold of the Agapemone—or Abode of Love.



Glory, the first-born, returns from a spin.



Power, the second son of Sister Ruth.



Mrs. Reed (in leather coat), the secretary.



John Smyth-Piggot, the "Messiah" of the Abode of Love.

The whereabouts of Sister Ruth Preece, John Smyth-Piggot's "soul bride," remains a mystery. Recently a report was current that she had left the Abode of Love, where she dwelt with her children, Glory, Power and Life, and had returned to the world she de-

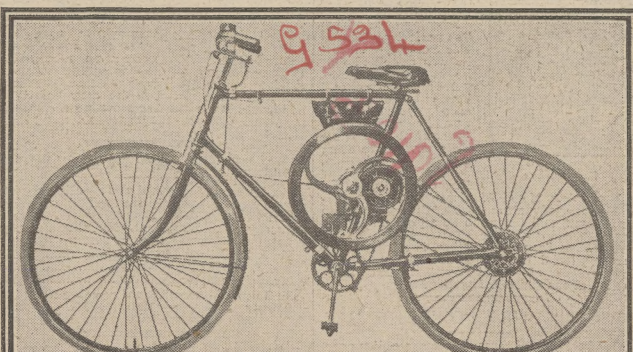
serted in her infatuation for the "Messiah." Mrs. Reed, the secretary, denies this rumour, and told *The Daily Mirror* that the whole family is still residing there in perfect happiness. We publish the new portrait of Ruth by courtesy of *Lloyd's Weekly News*.

WHIRLIGIG FASHIONS.



A striking turban worn by Miss Betty Sinclair in "The Whirligig" at the Palace. The clever and original designs in millinery are a noticeable feature of this successful revue.

INGENIOUS APPLICATION OF FLYWHEEL FALLACY.



"The Motor Cycle" calls attention to this curious mechanical device, which is the invention of a Frenchman. By means of the flywheel he hopes to eliminate the fatigue of pedalling, but, unfortunately, unless roads are designed with a continuous downhill tendency, the additional weight of the apparatus will be the sole result.

SECOND MARY PICKFORD.



Miss Renée Reel, who is the principal boy at the Theatre Royal, Manchester. She is famous for her imitations of Mary Pickford, the film favourite, to whom she bears a distinct resemblance.

MYSTERY OF THE "SOUL BRIDE."

Where Is Sister Ruth of the Abode of Love?

GLORY, POWER AND LIFE.

"Daily Mirror's" Visit to Guarded Agapemone and the Sequel.

From Our Special Correspondent.

SPAXTON, Sunday.

Where is Ruth, the chief soul bride of Mr. John Hugh Smyth-Piggot's Abode of Love? (Photographs page 1.)

The Abode of Love is a carefully-guarded residence, protected by a high brick wall and well-barricaded gates, in the little village of Spaxton, which lies under the shade of the Quantock Hills.

Spaxton is agog with rumours. One account has it that Sister Ruth has shaken the dust of the Agapemone from her heels and has taken refuge under an assumed name in Scotland.

Others say that Sister Ruth has been seen during the last few days walking in the country lanes which surround the Abode—a smiling-faced woman happy in the company of Smyth-Piggot, the self-appointed "Messiah," and Glory, Power and Life, their three children.

Miss Reed, the secretary of the Agapemone, told me yesterday that Sister Ruth was still at the Abode of Love.

"NEVER SO HAPPY."

"Sister Ruth Has No Intention of Leaving the Agapemone," Says Lady Secretary.

"Sister Ruth has no intention of leaving the Agapemone," added Miss Reed. "She tells me that she was never so happy in her life as she is at present. We have all been very much amused at the rumours which, have been circulated lately.

"The one which suggested that Sister Ruth wished to take the children away is particularly funny, and of course, quite untrue. None of them wishes to leave Spaxton.

"Sister Ruth is perfectly happy, and so are the children. The boys are keen motor-cyclists, and 'Life,' their small sister is a lively little girl.

"Only yesterday I spent a most pleasant afternoon playing 'Up, Jenkins,' with her, and she beat me every time."

Here Miss Reed, who is a pleasant-faced, rather masculine woman who wears a leather cycling kit, pulled on her huge fur gloves and, flinging herself into the saddle of her motor-bicycle, rode off up the main street towards Spaxton.

GLORY, POWER AND LIFE.

Boys Who Look Like Girls—A Motor-Cycling Devotee and a Pretty Daughter.

I went out to Spaxton. At the side of a narrow country lane stands the high stone wall which surrounds the Abode. Its heavy reddish bricks are well cemented and topped with iron spikes.

From above the walls can be seen the red-tiled roofs of the houses and the tops of the stained glass windows of a chapel, above which is an enormous concrete lion, whose massive paws hold the gilt-tipped spires. As I was walking along beside the little inn which stands at the side of the gates of the Abode, the hooting of a motor horn attracted my attention. A figure clad in dun-coloured mackintosh overalls and a round-shaped black fur cap, on a light-made motor-cycle, went slowly past.

This was the boy Glory, the first of the children born to Mr. Smyth-Piggot and his "spiritual" bride, Sister Ruth Annie Preece. Glory looks more like a girl than a boy.

A little further along the Bridgewater road I met a pony and a small train, in which sat an elderly woman and what I took at first to be a little girl of about twelve years of age.

This was Power, Mr. Smyth-Piggot's second boy. He looked even more girlish than his brother, for, in addition to a round-shaped fur cap, he wore a fur cloak buttoned high to his ears.

Life, the third child, whom I saw walking with two grey-haired women from the Abode, is a rather pretty, fair-haired little girl of about nine years of age.

MONEY SPENT FREELY.

"Buying Land on All Sides Lately"—An Invitation to the Agapemone.

"The Agapemone people have been buying land on all sides lately," said one of the village tradesmen to me.

"But there does not seem to be as much money flying about there as there used to be. At one time they gave all the cottage-holders a Christmas dinner and distributed toys freely among the children. Nothing of that sort happens now. They are all pleasant people and are liked by the villagers."

"Mr. Smyth-Piggot, Sister Ruth and the children are very fond of walking. They are often

to be seen making their way to the Quantock Hills and the woods near by."

In Bridgewater again I met Miss Reed on her way to meet some visitors at the railway station. "You must come up and see the grounds of the Agapemone. They are very pretty indeed," she said to me before she drove away on her motor-cycle. "Come up in the morning. I will meet you at the gate. I shall see you arrive from my bedroom window."

When I went to the Abode to keep my appointment I found the huge iron-studded and iron-barred gates against me. Except for a tweed-suited man, who wandered up and down the road keeping a watchful eye on my movements, there was no sign of life.

A GLIMPSE OF BEAUTY.

Pierce Custodian's Abrupt Greeting: "We Never Allow Anyone In."

I knocked loudly on the door. Nothing happened. I kicked the smaller door at the side of the big gates violently. After a little time my efforts were rewarded.

The side door opened sufficiently wide to allow an old man to pass through. Before he could shut the door after him I caught a glimpse of beautiful green lawns with concrete vases in which grew small trees and shrubs, and in the background gabled houses.

"What do you want?" the old man asked gruffly, staring fiercely at me.

I told him that I had come to keep my appointment with Miss Reed.

"Hum, so you're the party she met in the town, are you?" he said. "Well, Miss Reed says that you can't see her. She told me to say that you can't come in. We never allow anybody in here."

Then, turning his back on me, he walked across the road to speak to a broad-shouldered man who had appeared mysteriously from behind the opposite hedge.

The two joined the third man, who still loitered in the roadway, and all three of us watched me as I got into the waiting car and drove away.

STORY OF AGAPEMONE.

Smyth-Piggot's Ascendancy Over Ruth Preece—"Messiah's" Spiritual Wife.

The Abode of Love, or the Agapemone, is a community of men and women. It was instituted by Brother Prince, and after his death, in 1889, the Rev. John Hugh Smyth-Piggot succeeded to the position of self-appointed "Messiah."

Mr. Smyth-Piggot, who was formerly a clergyman of the Church of England, had created a considerable sensation when pastor of the Agapemone Church at Clapton by claiming a divine character.

In 1909 he was charged with "immoral acts, conduct and habits" at the Wells Consistory Court and found guilty.

It was while Mr. Smyth-Piggot was conducting services at the Clapton church—which was known as the Ark of the Covenant—that he established his curious ascendancy over Ruth Preece.

She became so infatuated with the self-styled "Messiah" that she consented to accompany him to the Abode of Love as his spiritual wife. She has been an inmate of the establishment for the last fifteen years.

CHINESE BOY ARTIST.

"Daily Mirror" Prizewinner, Who Follows Adventures of Pip and Squeak.

An eleven-year-old son of the Chinese Minister in London has just won a "Children's Mirror" prize for a very clever little painting.

His name is Szeming Sze (pronounced Sze). He is a merry, olive-skinned little boy who is a great favourite at his preparatory school at Bexhill.

Speaking speaks English perfectly. He told *The Daily Mirror* that he was delighted that he had won a prize.

"Are you the real Uncle Dick?" he asked. "And I have really a Pip and Squeak?"

He is very fond of England and the English people. My chief pleasures are painting and reading adventure stories. I'm awfully keen on football, and I hope to be a good player one day."

Mrs. Sze, Szeming's mother, is celebrated for her wonderful Chinese kimonos, head-dresses and footwear at official receptions and dinner parties at the Chinese Legation.

BOW-STREET POLICE COURT FOR SALE.

The freeholds of three theatres, a police court and a hotel are to be sold at Winchester House on Wednesday.

Included in a part of the Covent Garden estate, which has changed hands two or three times in the last five years, they are—Drury Lane Theatre, the Aldwych, the Strand and the Waldorf Hotel, while the police court is Bow-street, the ground rent of which is £1,100.

BARE BACK CRAZE.

Lady Mayoress' and Miss Lena Ashwell's Dress Views.

"UGH! HOW COLD."

Once again the modern woman and her dress—or, rather, the lack of it—is in the bad books of the Church; and stern denunciation has visited her.

Frocks, tardy in beginning and abrupt in ending, which appear to be a League of Nations shoulder strap, and material which can only be described as a "transparent haze," have a looked strong and classical protest.

Unbecoming and unbecoming dress, being formed in Ireland.

I think the prettiest styles were those of ten years ago, before low necks came into fashion," said Lady Mayoress (Lady Mayoress) to *The Daily Mirror*.

"I love all soft and womanly lines," said Miss Lena Ashwell. "I think short skirts are really sensible, but with dress good sense and discretion should be combined with a certain regard to age."

"Low necks and bare backs? Ugh! How cold, and, with our climatic vagaries, how dangerous."

Miss Lena Ashwell is tolerant in her opinions. "If people like to go about with nothing on their backs, necks or ankles, and like to feel cold," she said, "well, let them."

"To those possessing really beautiful necks and ankles I would say, by all means show them."

ISHMAEL OF THE ZOO.

"Nobody's Friend" in Reptile House—The Weird Matamora Terrapin.

"He's the ugliest creature I have ever seen—I can't think of a name bad enough for him!" Thus the Reptile House keeper at the London Zoological Gardens yesterday referred to the recently-arrived Matamora terrapin.

When taken from his tank into the full light of day the new Zoo inmate leered round at the company and children shrink back in distrust.

A tortoise-like body, a long, flat neck, squat head, pig-like nose and little evil, twinkling eyes—such are a few "points" of the Matamora terrapin.

Then, at the keeper's word, the terrapin flopped into the water, and, pushing past two so-called turtles—he is nobody's friend in the Reptile House—slid along to the nearest hot-water pipe.

FINGER BITTEN ON TRAM.

Conductor Hurt in Scuffle with Men on Car Near King's Cross.

As the result of a scuffle with five or six men in a tramcar in Caledonian-road, King's Cross, last Saturday, Laurence Green, the conductor, had to be admitted to the Royal Free Hospital, where he was found to be suffering from severe internal injuries.

Five or six young men who boarded the car took umbrage at a remonstrance by Green and a free fight ensued, during which Green was struck about the head and body and had a finger bitten.

Green told *The Daily Mirror* yesterday that he thought he could identify the men if called upon to do so. He is the father of seven children, all under nine years of age.

"I AM A HUN."

U-Boat Commander's Message Picked up on Gramophone Record.

Some interesting gramophone records of sounds made by the German submarines which entered Harwich Harbour were exhibited by Professor Bragg at the concluding lecture to children at the Royal Institution on Saturday.

One gave the sound of the crew hammering inside the boat; another recorded the message in Morse code by the commander, "I am a Hun."

M.P.'S DEATH: PAISLEY BY-ELECTION.

Mr. Ramsay Macdonald was mentioned yesterday as a possible candidate for Paisley, where a by-election has been caused by the death on Saturday of Sir John M. MacCallum. At the general election the figures were:—

Sir J. MacCallum (I.C.O.) 7,542
Mr. J. M. Biggar (Co-op.) 7,436
Mr. John Taylor (N.D.P.) 7,291
Sir John had been Liberal member since 1906, about M.P. for Dundee. Mr. Alexander Wilkie, will retire at the next general election.

CHRISTMAS EVE MYSTERY SOLVED.

A Christmas Eve mystery has been solved by the finding of the body of Millicent Gillman, a domestic servant, aged thirty-seven, of Sheffield, in the old iron mill dam Rivelin. When she disappeared she left her bank-book and a note on the table.

BRIDE WHO COULD NOT FACE HARDSHIP.

Worthing Nurse's Suicide on Canadian Farm.

WAR ROMANCE TRAGEDY.

CHARLOTTETOWN (Prince Edward Island), Saturday.

The rigours of Colonial life have brought a tragic end to one romance begun in England between a Canadian soldier and an English girl. (Photograph on page 9.)

Thomas Corbett Ellis, of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, met Nurse Brammitt, daughter of the Rev. Thomas Brammitt, a returned Chinese missionary, of Worthing, England, in hospital, fell in love with her, married her, and brought her to the province of Prince Edward Island, where he is engaged in farming.

Unaccustomed to the hardships of a Canadian winter and of farming life, the English bride did not take kindly to her conditions.

Her lot was in no way improved through Ellis bringing his mother and his two sisters to live with them.

Mrs. Ellis felt she was a cipher in her own house, and this led to an estrangement with her husband, who ceased to occupy the same room with her.

Quarrels ensued, and the "new mate" soon became so unhappy that she wanted to return to her people.

She then wrote to the Anglican clergyman of her parish here, telling him how unhappy she was and alleging that her husband had threatened her life.

A few days later Mrs. Ellis was found in her room with her throat cut.

A coroner's jury, says the *Weekly Dispatch*, gave a verdict of Suicide, but on the authority of the Attorney-General the inquest was detained pending further investigation.

"SUCH A BRIGHT GIRL."

Nursed Husband in Hospital—Tragic News Broken to Father.

The Daily Mirror yesterday took the sad tidings of his daughter's death to the Rev. Thomas Brammitt, to whom the news came as a severe blow.

He said that Mrs. Brammitt was an invalid, and he did not know how he should be able to break the news to her.

Nurse Brammitt had nursed her husband, Thomas Corbett Ellis, of the hospital, where he had known him for over two years. They appeared devoted to each other, and the bride's letters home had always been bright and cheerful.

"Poor girl, we never really wanted her to get so sad," said Mrs. Ellis' relatives to *The Daily Mirror*, "but there, nothing would have kept her back, she was so eager to go."

"She never wrote very much, so we were not worrying at not hearing from her. She was always such a bright and cheerful girl. It seems unbelievable."

HER TWO "JOY" MAIDS.

Ex-Service Men Solve the Servant Problem—Misses' "No Regrets" Choice.

"It is my opinion you want, and not that of the policemen on the beat; I can tell you my cook and parlour-maid are the best in this suburb."

It was the laughing answer made by an enterprising housewife to *The Daily Mirror's* inquiry regarding her ex-Service "domestics."

"I had over a hundred replies to my advertisement for two ex-soldiers to act as cook and housemaid respectively," she went on, "and during the three months my two servants have been in this house I have never had a single regret as to my choice."

OTHER NEWS IN BRIEF.

To-day's Weather.—Wind between S.W. and W., strong to a gale. Showery. Mild.

Brussels postmen are on strike.—Reuter.

Hearing the news of Barnsley's Cup-tie win, Nathan Speight, fifty, a Barnsley miner, fell dead.

An egg weighing 5½oz. and measuring 7½in. in circumference has been laid by a hen at Cranbrook, Kent.

Rat Problem.—Sissinghurst (Kent) Rat Club has found that of seventy-two rats killed only nine were males.

New Knight.—A knighthood has been conferred on Mr. W. Towle, manager of the Midland Railway Hotels from 1871-1914.

Death of Countess of Selkirk.—Clotelie Louisa, Countess of Selkirk, widow of the sixth and last Earl of Selkirk, has died at Balnais.

1,000,000 Miles Postman.—Having walked over a million miles in fifty years of postal service, Mr. W. Pye, of Croxton, Lanes, has retired on a pension.

Some Landru Confesses.—Mrs. Landru, wife of the modern Bluebeard, has admitted signing papers in the name of Lavie, one of Landru's alleged victims.

Seven Workmen Hurt.—About a score of workmen were thrown out of a motor-olorty at Hull yesterday when it skidded and crashed into a shop window, seven being injured.

"GERMANY WILL FULFIL PEACE TERMS OF ALLIES."

Treaty in Force at Last—Von Lersner on "Heaviest Sacrifices Ever Inflicted." LAST HUN WRIGGLE OVER HER CRIMINALS

A brief, formal ceremony in Paris on Saturday marked the setting of the last act in the great world war. The Protocol and ratification of the Treaty concluded between the Entente and Germany was signed, and it only remains now for Germany to carry out her obligations. This she will do, says Baron von Lersner, the German delegate. He has, however, a last wriggle on the subject of the trial of the war guilty.

With the ratification of the Peace Treaty the Allied Powers and Germany are theoretically friends again. The League of Nations, too, came into being on Saturday.

GERMANY AND THE TRIAL OF WAR CRIMINALS. DEATH OF OFFICER WHO DIVED TO SAVE WOMAN.

Allied Powers Officially and Theoretically Friends Again. Jump Over Hammersmith Bridge—Too Dark to See Tide Was Out.

BIRTH OF THE LEAGUE.

"I am glad that peace has come; but its coming imposes on Germany the heaviest sacrifices ever inflicted on a nation in modern times." Thus Baron von Lersner, one of the German Peace delegates, in an interview with Reuter's correspondent after the signing of the protocol at the Quai d'Orsay, in Paris, on Saturday.

"Germany will fulfil the contractual obligations which she has taken on herself, and to do so she will go to the utmost limit of possibility," he added.

Regarding the proposed extradition of the Germans who are considered by the Allies to have committed crimes in time of war, Baron von Lersner said:—

"The German Government has submitted written suggestions for solving this delicate question. Germany was willing—

"To incur an obligation of arranging in Germany before the Supreme Law Court all incriminated persons pointed out by the Entente.

"To abrogate the amnesty with regard to them and to admit their representatives of the Entente as public prosecutors with the fullest rights of control.

"Germany has promulgated preliminary laws to this effect.

The Baron added that his conviction was that the Entente nations were not seeking to satisfy a craving for revenge, but desired to punish those really guilty, and he thought the German proposal the best way of attaining that end.

THE KAISER.

The fate of the ex-Kaiser is still indefinite. The *Echo de Paris* says it is proposed to try him in his absence, but another report states that the extradition demand to Holland is ready.

The Protocol was signed by the German delegates in Paris on Saturday, at 4.10 p.m., the ceremony was a short one, and the exchange of ratifications which brought the Treaty into force was disposed of in less than fifteen minutes. It marks, too, the birth of the League of Nations.

After the signing M. Clemenceau saluted and said a few words to Baron von Lersner and Herr Simon, indicating that peace relations had been resumed. Then all the delegates took tea in an adjoining room. With the ratification of the Treaty the Allied Powers and Germany are theoretically friends again.

The German Government has issued a farewell to the inhabitants of Germany's "lost territories."—Reuter.

The conditions which Germany has to fulfil include the following: evacuation of Schleswig in ten days and leave West Prussia in fifteen days; hand over war-guilt Germans in a month; dismantle fortifications and reduce fleet in two months; reduce army to 200,000 men, and disclose poison gas secrets in three months. Provision is made for the payment to the Allies of £5,000,000,000, spread over a number of years, and the Scapa Flow reparation of 400,000 tons will be reduced ultimately by 100,000 tons or even more if necessity is shown.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

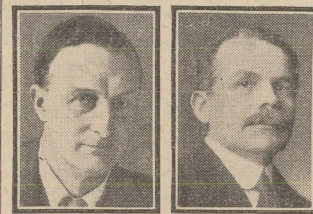
Will Viscount Grey Be First President?—His Work for Peace.

Viscount Grey, whose name is mentioned in connection with the presidency of the League of Nations, was appointed British Ambassador to Washington in August last.

He has closely identified himself with the League of Nations movement.

Our Berlin Embassy, it was rumoured in political circles last evening that Sir William Tyrrell, who went to the United States as Viscount Grey's private secretary, may shortly go to Berlin as the representative of the British Government.

U.S. and Germany armistice conditions, says Washington, will govern relations between the U.S. and Germany.



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PORTIA BREAKS RULES AT DINNER IN TEMPLE.

Nearly Fined a Bottle of Wine for Talking.

VERSE IN HER HONOUR.

"I was horribly frightened at first, but everyone was so kind that I soon forgot my nervousness."

Miss Normanton, one of the four women who have broken tradition by being admitted as law students, spoke thus to *The Daily Mirror* regarding her first dinner in the Temple, which she attended last night.

"I had rather an alarming experience," she went on. "I forgot the etiquette of the mess by speaking to my neighbour, and I was nearly fined a bottle of wine."

"I received many congratulatory messages, and have been promised briefs by an eminent barrister when I am called to the Bar."

Here are some lines composed in Miss Normanton's honour by a barrister at the dinner:—

This is the night within this regal place, When first hath beamed an able woman's face, First since the Tudors far off Tudor days.

When England's Queen attended Jonson's plays, To-day the woman student breathes our air, With highest hopes that winds may set for fair.

Miss Normanton is a charming young woman, very attached to her work.

The law decrees that students before the call must have attended six dinners in each term for ten terms. There are four terms in a year.

PREMIER AND RAILMEN.

Ministers' Hurried Visit to Paris—Government's Decision To-morrow?

Sir Eric Geddes, Minister of Transport, and Sir Robert Horne, Minister for Labour, *The Daily Mirror* understands, left London for Paris early yesterday morning in response to a summons from the Prime Minister. The object of the visit was to discuss the railwaymen's rejection of the Government's wages offer prior to a meeting of the Cabinet.

They may not be back until to-morrow, and a conference between Sir Eric Geddes and the negotiating committee of the N.E.R., which was to have taken place to-day, has been postponed until to-morrow.

The meeting of the Cabinet also takes place to-morrow, when the decision of the Government will be communicated to the N.E.R.

Sir Eric's reply to the men on Saturday stated that as the lines of the Government's proposals were laid down by the Cabinet and the issues involved were of national importance, affecting every section of the community, it would be necessary for Sir Eric to bring the whole matter before his colleagues.

He would do so at the earliest possible moment, and would then give Mr. Thomas a reply which would carry with it the full authority of the Government.

When asked on Saturday if there was any prospect of a strike, Mr. Thomas replied to an interviewer: "You must draw your own conclusions. There is no ballot with us. If they want to strike, they will."

DUNDEE WOMAN'S VIOLENT END.

Dundee police yesterday discovered in a house in Hunter-street a woman named Mrs. MacKenzie (or Dyer), aged fifty-five, with her head battered. In the room was evidence of a terrible struggle. The clothing had been torn from her body.

A man, demobilised about a week ago, whom it is said the woman befriended, has been taken into custody.

LAW TO COST MORE.

The General Council of the Bar have adopted recommendations that owing to the large increase in the cost of living fees of counsel for the prosecution at all the quarter sessions in England and Wales should be increased to a suitable extent, and that the scale of fees under the Poor Prisoners Defence Act should be raised.

In a fire at Chepstow Almshouses Mrs. Hannah Luker, aged eighty-six, has been fatally burnt.

LINER BREAKS IN TWO ON CHANNEL ROCK.

Only Seven Men Saved Out of Forty-Three.

GRIM FIGHT FOR LIFE.

Widespread Havoc by Gale and Floods.

A terrible sea disaster, involving the loss of thirty-six lives, occurred off the Dorset coast during the terrible gale of Saturday.

The liner Treval (4,000 tons), owned by the Hains Steamship Company but chartered by the Brocklebank Steamship Line, of Liverpool, and inward bound from Calcutta to Dundee with a jute cargo, struck the Kimmer Edge Rocks, near St. Alban's Head.

Neither tugs nor lifeboats could get near the vessel; the captain signalled that he was going to abandon ship, and the crew put off in boats for the shore, but these were swamped.

A terrible scene was at once witnessed. The men struck out for the shore, being assisted by the set of the tide, but only seven survived to reach the beach.

The other thirty-three men were drowned, and the bodies of twenty were washed up during yesterday and taken in charge by the coastguard. About noon yesterday the Treval broke in two and became submerged.

The names of the seven survivors are:—

Third Officer W. Donald, Swansea; Chief Engineer R. H. W. Thirkell, Cardiff; A. Wilcock, St. Ives; Turnow, St. Ives; A. W. Winterbotham, Penzance; K. Kirkby, Sheffield; F. Ansell, Truro.

The last two are apprentices. Wilcock is chief cook, Turnow is mess steward, and Winterbotham an able seaman.

VICAR IN THE SURF.

Stood Up to His Neck Pulling Drowning Men Ashore.

The chief engineer declares that if a tug had reached them on Friday night they could have got the vessel off. The last wireless they sent out read: "For God's sake send us assistance."

"The men were struggling in the water in all directions. I was thrown upon the beach on my hands and knees. How I came there is a miracle, as I cannot swim a yard," he added.

Both officers paid a warm tribute to the services of the vicar of the parish, Mr. Pearce, who was standing in the surf up to his neck helping to pull the men in.

Up to last night the body of Captain C. Paynter, of St. Ives, had not been recovered.

The ship was a new vessel and was on her first trip. The third engineer and the assistant steward were married just before they sailed.

Steamer Disabled.—The British steamer *Rio Negro*, from Dublin, is reported by wireless disabled at sea in Lat. 52.17 N. and Long. 5.24 W., and to have signalled for assistance.

Lifeboat Rescues.—On Saturday the Hayling Island lifeboat rescued the crew of fifteen of the French schooner *Monte Grande*, of Havre. The vessel is expected to become a total wreck.

Reported Disaster to Italian Liner.—There is no confirmation (says Reuter) of the report that the Italian liner *Principessa Mafalda* had struck a mine, and that 700 lives had been lost.

STORM ITEMS.

Streets are flooded in Bath, where the Avon rose six feet yesterday.

Exeter suburbs were isolated last night by the overflowing of the Exe.

Blown off a lorry at the Finsbury Park Empire, Steven Deer, aged sixty-six, a stage hand, broke a leg.

Struck by a falling lamp-post in Hoxton-street, Shoreditch, Nellie Rudmory, aged ten, was taken to the infirmary with concussion.

"HOPING FOR REVOLUTION."

Wild Talk at Shop Stewards' Conference—Uses of Dear Living.

"The more difficult it became for the working classes to live the nearer the possibilities of a revolution came, and that was the thing they were hoping for," said Mr. Gibbons (South Wales Miners), at the conference of shop stewards, held yesterday at the International Socialist Club, East-street, City road.

They should welcome the increased cost of living, he went on, and hope that it would go on increasing until it came to the point where it would make it impossible for Great Britain to compete in the markets of the world. Then would come the downfall of capitalism.

A delegate from Ireland, "Captain" White, suggested that a parliamentary campaign should be started here of candidates who would be pledged, in the event of their election, to refuse to take the oath of allegiance to the Crown.

300 APPLICANTS FOR £400 POST.

Over 300 applications have been received for the post of joint secretary of the Peterborough Agricultural Society and Peterborough Farmers' Union. The salary is £400 per annum.

GOLDEN DEED OF "CHIPS."

If anybody ever deserved a posthumous award it is the "very gallant gentleman" who has just lost his life in saving that of a woman in London.

For no finer story of bravery, in peace or war, has been told than that in which Lieutenant C. C. Wood, a young South African, who died in the R.A.F. Hospital, Finchley, on Saturday night, figures as the hero.

Soon after midnight on Saturday, December 27, when crossing Hammersmith Bridge, he was told by a woman that her mother was in the river. Though it was very dark, he jumped on the parapet and dived into the water, a distance of nearly 100ft. He found the woman and brought her to the shore and then collapsed.

He could not see that the tide was out, and stuck his head on the river bed.

The woman, Mrs. Paxton, of Montgomery-street, Hammersmith, was uninjured, though suffering slightly from shock.

CHEERFUL TO END.

Throughout his illness the young lieutenant was very cheerful. To his friend, Captain Read, the first South African V.C., he smilingly remarked, "It's a long way from Hammersmith Bridge to the water. It was very cold." By his friends in the Air Force he was affectionately known as "Chips."

Mrs. Paxton, when seen yesterday by *The Daily Mirror*, was in tears. "I know he is dead," she said. "I have tried to see the poor boy twice, but they would not let me. Please do not question me about what happened, as I remember nothing."

PHOTOGRAPH CLUE.

Vicar's Missing Daughter Found Working as a Nursemaid.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ROCHDALE, Sunday. There has been a dramatic sequel to the mysterious disappearance six months ago of the eighteen-year-old daughter of the Rev. D. T. Wilson, vicar of All Saints', Rochdale.

A photograph and description were circulated and the vicar made journeys all over the country in following up supposed clues of her whereabouts.

On Christmas Eve the family received a letter from Miss Wilson, posted at Bootle, but without any address, in which she stated that while at a Welsh village she saw posted outside a police station a notice referring to herself.

The parents decided to publish her photograph again. This was seen by a woman in Waterloo, Liverpool, and she was struck by the remarkable resemblance of the photograph to her nursemaid.

The girl was taxed and admitted her identity. The vicar was communicated with, and to-day the mother left for Liverpool to claim her daughter.

COAL SHORTAGE—DOCKERS' THREAT.

The Goole Dockers' Union announced yesterday that unless better supplies of coal for domestic purposes in Goole are forthcoming they will instruct their members to refuse to handle any coal for export to France or Belgium or for transport to London.

It was stated that 4,000 tons of West Yorkshire coal was sent last week to Continental ports and that the coal workers on reaching their homes found fireless grates.

FEWER DIVORCE SUITS.

Law cases in the Hilary Term, which starts to-day, show a decrease. Altogether there are 1,544. The undefended divorce suits total 1,325 instead of last term's 1,769.

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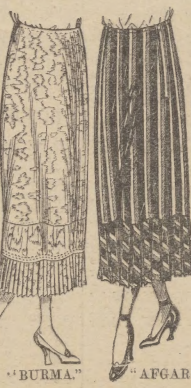
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WHO WILL GOVERN?

WE are told that the ceremony of signing peace in Paris on Saturday was "brief and business-like." That is more than can be said for the peace itself, which is very long and quite impracticable.

This brief and business-like signing of the lengthy and unbusiness-like document leaves us with a Europe at present less united than it was even during the war; for it leaves Russia out, America out and Turkey and the Turkish Empire yet unsettled. In fact, now that we have signed the Treaty of Peace with Germany, our obvious task is to make the peace we have signed.

The way to do this is difficult—hard to discern.

Professor Keynes, whose unanswerable book is justly exercising its wide and beneficent influence just now, tells us that it can only be done by changing all the existing Governments of the world.

It is indeed true that we must be "born again" if we are to make a new world. We must forget the past and think only of the future. We cannot continue to live and act under the obsession of dead things, ignoring the dead men who gave their lives for new ones. The new mind, born of the war, cannot manifest itself so long as we pursue only a policy of revenge. But it would indeed be pessimism to suppose that this new mind will never get into power, or that, when it arrives, it will not adapt itself to the vast spiritual changes induced in the young men, who suffered and survived, by the spectacle of the war prepared for them by the aged.

New men will come. New minds will work. But what minds and what men?

That, too, is just the question everybody is asking. It follows from the need of the new, proclaimed in Professor Keynes' book.

And everybody naturally and amusingly, but quite sincerely, answers it by saying, "Try me: The other fellow knows nothing about it."

The Coalition says: "Go on trying us" and adds that Labour can't do it.

Unfortunately, by-elections seem to show that the electorate is deaf to this invigorating call.

Labour says: "Try us because the Coalition obviously can't do it." And the apparently lost cause of a nearly extinct Liberalism says: "Try us, because either of those two will plunge you into confusion—the first into international, the second into civil, war."

Those are the home parties.

They are enlivened by attempts to get outside the groove on the part of ingenious gentlemen who want to gather new groups under advantageous epithets, such as "national," "patriotic," "infallible," "perfect," "divine," and so on.

No one is deceived by these epithets. For good or evil, government is by party, and attempts to label party "national" only result in giving a partisan flavour to the word "nation."

What, then, of the future?

Well, prophecy is discredited. We will only say that the signing of this portion of the present peace raises more problems than it solves, and that these problems will almost certainly have to be settled after reconstructions of all the home Governments involved. That is the lesson of our own by-elections. But the extent and nature of the reconstructions can only be known after the appeal to the nation has been made.

W. M.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

In every part and corner of our life, to lose oneself is to be gainer; to forget oneself is to be happy.—R. L. Stevenson.



Miss Joan Anstruther, granddaughter of Lord Sudeley, has returned to town. She was one of last year's debutantes.



In the chorus of "The Officers' Mess," fifteen months ago, Miss Ethel Fisher is now a rising star in the film.

PEACE SUNDAY.

Two Ministers' Hurried Trip to Paris—Will Mr. Asquith Contest Paisley?

YESTERDAY WAS PEACE SUNDAY, but the weather did not seem to think so. Those few pedestrians who ventured into the storm-swept streets had to stand a good deal of buffeting from a particularly strong and heedless wind, which blew down hoardings and wrenched big branches from the trees. I never saw the

TO-DAY'S GOSSIP

News and Views About Men, Women, and Affairs in General

A Vacancy.

In the political clubs they are wondering if Mr. Asquith will stand for Paisley, vacant by the death of Sir John McCullum. It is urged that having Mr. Asquith back in the House would considerably relieve the strained situation which now undoubtedly exists.

Not Resigning.

There have been many rumours in Dublin that Mr. MacMahon, the Irish Under-Secretary, has resigned. He is in London, and says he has not resigned. He has not been asked to resign. And he is here on purely Irish Civil Service business. That seems conclusive.

A Prince Lunches.

In a corner of the Berkeley I saw a quiet man lunching (not that I consider that Berkeley folk usually lunch loudly!) and discovered it to be his Royal Highness Prince Louis of Orleans-Bourbon, Infante of Spain. He is

Trying It On.

I sympathise with the protest made against the use of London as an experimental area by our bureaucrats. We get inferior meat and generally, I should say, inferior foodstuffs. People in the North get the pick of the basket. What have we done to deserve this?

Lord Rawlinson's New Role.

Lord Rawlinson has been appearing in a new rôle. He is not much addicted to functions which are other than purely military, and so it was interesting to see him as chairman at a lecture at Aldershot the other day, when Major-General Sir Frederick Maurice talked on the League of Nations.

A Quiet Ceremony.

At St. George's, Hanover-square, on Saturday, Mrs. G. W. Anderson was married very quietly to Mr. W. S. Norris, the bride wearing her going away dress of navy and silver with her small blue hat lined with cherry red. She is the daughter of Mr. W. H. F. Dodgson, of Keston, Kent, and it is her late husband's sister who has just become engaged to Sir Samuel Haslam Scott, of Windermere.

A Babies' Party.

There are to be crowds of titled babies at the children's thé dansant at the Savoy on Wednesday, and at the parties given after Lady Mainwaring's children's matinee tiny lads were busy booking up their dances and asking if their partners jazzed or fox-trotted better. The music is to be Hawaiian.

The Talented Children.

Theatre managers and film men were greatly excited over the acting and dancing of the society children at the Rumanian performance at the Court. The Hon. Joan Yarde-Buller, Miss Marjorie du Pre and the Hon. Georgiana Curzon came in for special praise.

The Prince and the Play.

Looking into the Garrick Theatre the other night for a second view of "The Eclipse," I observed the Prince of Wales in a back row of the stalls. He appeared to be one of the most appreciative members of the audience.

Fancy Kit.

There will be some startling and original costumes at the Pan masquerade at Covent Garden on Thursday. Miss Kylie Bellew and Mlle. Yvonne Arnaud are among those preparing surprises for us.

For the U.S.

I hear that Mr. G. P. Huntley, whom ill-health recently caused to retire from the cast of "The Kiss Call," is going across the Atlantic. He sails for the States this week.

Billiards Record-Breaker.

Major H. L. Fleming, who last week set up a fresh amateur billiards championship record by averaging thirty in his heat with Mr. S. S. Christey, is brother-in-law to Mr. Rudyard Kipling by virtue of his elder brother's marriage years ago to Miss Beatrice Kipling.

Slow, but Sure.

The gallant cueist's stance at the billiard table is peculiar, for he bends right over until his chin is almost touching his cue. Also, his methods are deliberate, almost to the point

THE MODERN MAIDEN'S LEAP YEAR.



She doesn't want it. She doesn't need it. The problem with her is not how to propose, but how to put off her innumerable proposers.—(By W. K. Haselden.)

streets of the West End so deserted as they were yesterday. Perhaps London was sensibly celebrating Peace Sunday indoors.

Called to Paris.

I understand that the fact that Sir Eric Geddes and Sir Robert Horne were suddenly called to Paris does not mean that there is any serious development in the railway crisis. Both the Prime Minister and the Leader of the House desired to be informed first hand as to the whole facts of the negotiations.

Quite Cheerful.

And this should be added. While Mr. J. H. Thomas is now talking of a strike, people in touch with the Government say there is no likelihood of one.

In Reply to Labour.

There is, I hear, to be a great overhauling of the Coalition to make it more successful at by-election times. Coalitionists say they are losing ground by leaving the field to Labour. So look out for liveliness in the constituencies,

over from Paris to attend a certain wedding here. Many lovely women courted to him.

Wines and Beers.

I was dining on Saturday in a pleasant little Soho restaurant—one of those unlicensed places where your wine is sent out for. Presently the smiling proprietor brought along a petition to the authorities for a licence, which the customers were asked to sign. I saw many well-known signatures in the list, and at the very head of all stood that of Mr. Winston Churchill.

A Business Woman.

Lady Rhonda is in Switzerland. She will be back in London at the end of the month. By the way, she is interested in the £9,000,000 amalgamation of Guest, Keen's and Lysaghts.

Back to the Shack.

It is good news that we may soon have Miss Elsie Janis back again. If things turn out as are expected she will be seen at the Palace in a new production this time next year.



The Marchioness of Harrington is making a dash at Eastbourne next month.



Miss Gladys Carleton, principal lady in "The Babies in the Wood" on the Gaiety circuit.

of being expectorating so. However, obviously it is "steady that does it."

The All-Wool Girl.

In a tramcar during the week-end I met the "all-wool" girl. She was wearing not only a very tricky woollen hat, but a woollen jumper, a woollen scarf and a woollen skirt. I wondered if it was a home-made costume.

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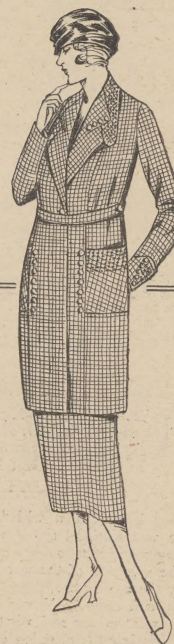
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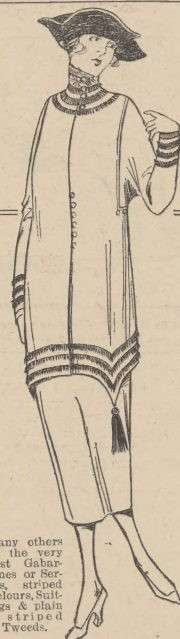
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DO WOMEN WANT TO BE THE 'WEAKER SEX'?

PRIVILEGES THAT GO WITH THE POSITION.

By ROSE LINDLEY.

I DO wish that Parisian scientist had not made the announcement that woman is biologically superior to man.

That announcement, if allowed to go unchallenged, and if concerted effort be not made on the part of my sisters, will prove the first nail in the coffin of countless privileges long cherished by women.

The first threat of the loss of those privileges was brought home to me pointedly one evening recently. As my husband came in from the office I asked him—sweetly enough, perhaps tactlessly—to carry a bucket of coals into the house for me.

For answer he thrust into my hands a newspaper cutting, pointed to the report of the announcement, and muttering: "You're stronger than I, apparently," strolled calmly upstairs to change.

After dinner he went out to the club, no doubt to discuss the subject with all his pals. And husbands, sons and sweethearts throughout the country will be talking it over with their pals, and, if we are not careful, acting upon it. Then where shall we be?

During the war no doubt thousands of my sex did take up and carry on with jobs that had for all time been considered peculiar to the male.

But it was no more than a temporary stepping into the breach, and a large per-

centage were only too glad, when the men came back, to return to flounces, frills and dainty hands.

Among women deserving of the name, one of the most fascinating pursuits always has been, and ever will be, the search for that elusive person the "strong, silent man."

Go to a certain theatre, situate not a hundred miles from Charing Cross, where a young actor-manager holds sway, and listen to the comments of the women, young, old and middle-aged among the audience.

"My dear, what a wonderfully stern face," or "How firm and strong he looks. I wish I could get his autograph," and so on, once nightly and two matinees per week.

Only a few days ago a demobbed young woman who had passed through hard times overseas sighed longingly to me: "Oh, to find a man one could be afraid of!"

That girl had the situation summed up in a sentence.

No woman wants, at the bottom of her heart, to be the superior of man physically, if at all. Each one likes to see her particular man performing feats of endurance and brute strength that she cannot carry out, and that she has no intention of trying to emulate.

One hope there is, and one hardly likely to fail, that should sustain us against this threatened reversal of the old order.

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JOHN BULL TOASTS PUSSYFOOT.—Little guests at a fancy-dress party given by Mrs. Cecil Rowntree, the wife of the specialist.

SHOULD WE TAKE SPIRITUALISM SERIOUSLY?

THINGS WE CAN AND THINGS WE CANNOT BELIEVE.

By AN INQUIRER.

THERE are so many mysteries in life that it is not safe or wise to dismiss the theory of spiritualism with a contemptuous shrug of the shoulders.

There are, for example, authentic instances of dual and multiple personality—cases of illiterate people who in their normal individualities can scarcely read or write, and yet who under certain conditions can do both easily and even speak foreign languages which they have never learnt. Medical science cannot explain these cases.

When we come to mind we are up against a brick wall. We cannot analyse it physically, nor can we tell the nature of it as a force of energy, nor even what it is finally resolved into.

Spiritualism offers a plausible explanation. It may be true. But when I have said that I have said all.

I have studied the subject with an open mind and have attended many seances, but I have never yet seen or heard anything that convinces me that there is communication with the dead.

Ocular deception is the easiest thing in the world. Seances are held in darkness or semi-darkness. The eye strains to see. Things white jump into the vision, and to the imaginative person or to the person with defective eyesight—and how many have defective eyesight—assume the forms of those they are thinking about. Blind people "see" ghosts.

If further proof be needed of this statement examine independently half a dozen people who have attended a seance. If they have not had the chance of talking over and confirming their experiences I guarantee that each one of

them will give a different account of what he has "seen."

As for the other phenomena of spiritualism, table-rapping, table-turning, and so forth, these, when not produced by practical jokers or fraudulent mediums, can be explained on physical grounds, and it is a sane and salutary rule never to accept anything as evidence of the occult for which a material explanation is possible.

The Fox sisters, who started spiritualism as a cult in America in the middle of the nineteenth century, could produce sounds like raps by their knee joints.

Automatic writing is another phenomenon which may be the result of self-deception.

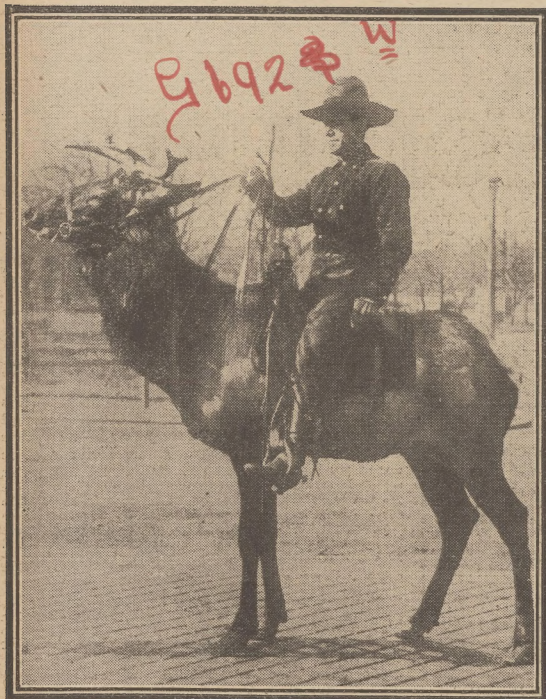
Most people can write automatically. You do not need a planchette. All you have to do is to place a pencil in your hand on a sheet of paper. Read or talk or try to think of nothing. Soon there will be a nervous tremor of the fingers. A feeling of numbness and coldness may pass over the hand and up the arm. Your fingers will move and will write, first probably a mere illegible scribble, but later, if you persevere, words and sentences and "messages."

It is a strange sensation, I admit, but this, too, is physically explicable. And I have never yet read any automatic writing that on internal evidence could not have come consciously or unconsciously from the brain of the operator.

It is frequently urged in support of spiritualism that it must be true because it is believed in by men of high scientific attainments. But this is not proof. A man may be very clever and learned in one branch of knowledge and an absolute child in another. Many of our greatest men have had their fads and weaknesses.

While I would acknowledge that the testimony of a man of scientific training is more valuable than that of the ordinary man in the street, I would not regard it as infallible.

ELK AS SADDLE HORSE.



This elk, which an American has trained to the saddle, is very affectionate, and has learnt many tricks. It is shod just like a horse. The rider is often to be seen in a Washington park.

HISTORIC FIVE MINUTES.



Germany and the Allied nations, with the exception of America, are now at peace. There were two ceremonies, but they were so brief that they only occupied five minutes. The photograph shows Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Bonar Law arriving at the French Foreign Office and inset M. Clemenceau (left) and Signor Nitti, the Italian Premier.

EVENING



A New York dress wrap is fashioned in sleeves. A ring



A GALLANT BATTALION.—An officer with the colours of the 17th Royal Fusiliers, which were deposited in Warlingham Parish Church on Saturday.



TWO CRAZES COMBINED.—You don't make figures when you get on roller skates now. You get a partner and do the one-step or the jazz.



Sir John Bland-Sutton, elected first president of the new Association of Surgeons, which will watch the interests of this branch of the profession.



LT. C. C. Wood, the young South African, who jumped from Hammersmith Bridge to save a woman, has succumbed to his injuries.



Gantrell, who did the hat trick for Tottenham Hotspur against Br



A CHILDREN'S PARTY.—The children of the members of the Royal Botanic Society were entertained to a party on Saturday, an item on the programme being marionettes. The children of the Chinese Minister were among the guests, and laughed heartily at their antics.



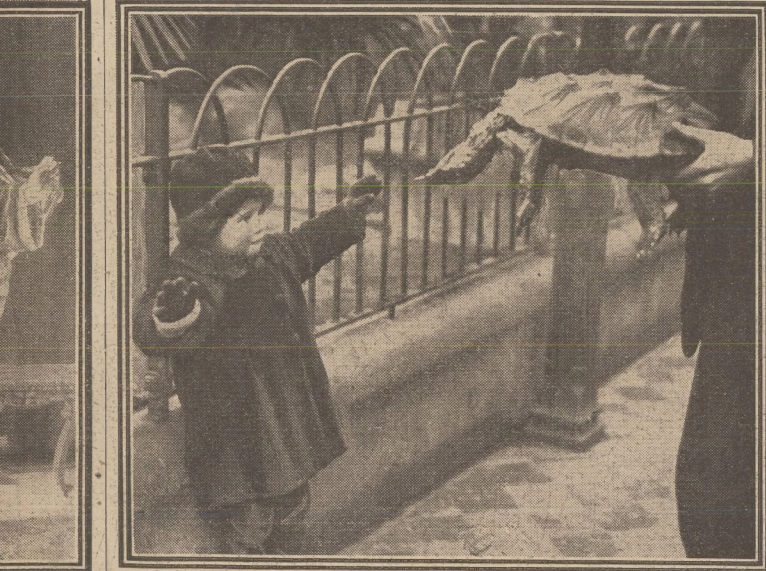
Tremelling saving in the Birmingham-Everton match.



Rain, followed by snow and sleet, made the South Shields ground a quagmire.

ENGLISH CUP, FIRST ROUND.—After five years the great Association football competition known as the English Cup has again cast its spell over the land, and huge crowds, their love for the game more intense than ever, met

WRAP SHOCKED BY ITS UGLINESS.



The matamora terrapin is described as "the ugliest creature I have ever seen" by the keeper of the reptile house at the Zoo. Children do not like the look of it, and generally, as this little girl is doing, shrink back with mistrust. It has a tortoise-like body, and is found in the rivers and swamps of tropical South America.—(Daily Mirror photograph.)



oring his first goal. Tottenham's superiority was most marked.



Prince Wilhelm von Preussen, another Hohenzollern, is bringing an action for divorce. He is second cousin of the ex-kaiser.



Princess Agatha von Ratibor, Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen, the wife of Prince Wilhelm. Divorce is now epidemic in the family.

WEIGHED IN AT 3 ST. 8 LB.



The man had made the course almost as bad as Flanders, so the men gallantly carried the ladies from point to point.



John O'Neil, aged ten, who rode two winners.



Mr. Sidney Rihl, who won a race on Discontent.

A race meeting was held at Ongar, Essex, on Saturday, as the result of a wager made by three members of the Corn Exchange, who raced each other. Though not a member of the Exchange, Master O'Neil was allowed to enter, and won two events.—(Daily Mirror photographs.)



roft's, the shipbuilders, and Burnley a goalless draw at Fratton Park. ray to the various grounds. Tottenham Hotspur gave a splendid display of football, and so did Fulham and on. Travers scored both goals for the winners.—(Daily Mirror photographs.)



Travers, the Swindon forward, about to score the winning goal.



A FINE SPECIMEN OF CATTLE.—This great Friesian bull, Sir Kalma, is the only son of Myrtle, which, it will be remembered, gave 2,018 gallons of milk in 312 days.

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THE HIGHEST BIDDER.

By RUBY M. AYRES



Meg Ross.

WHO'S WHO IN THE STORY.

MEG ROSS, a young and pretty girl, who, from motives of duty, marries **JEFFREY STAFFORD**, a strong, determined man, to whom

AURIE ROSS, Meg's brother, is under considerable financial obligation.

ALLISON LEE, Meg's closest friend. She is in love with Stafford.

Meg, who has run away from her husband to Herne Bay, is induced to return. Jeffrey, however, refuses to have anything further to do with her. She then learns that Stafford has sailed for America.

During the absence of Jeffrey in America, Meg contracts a friendship with Leslie Stafford, a young man whom Jeffrey had adopted some years before.

IN THE RESTAURANT.

DURING the week that followed I saw a great deal of Leslie Stafford. Hardly a day passed unless he came to the flat, or I met him somewhere for lunch or dinner.

I was profoundly grateful to him for his friendship; he was always cheery, always willing to fall in with my wishes; and in some sort of way he seemed to take the place, in my life which had once been Laurie's.

And all this time my brother had not been

heard of.

I asked Leslie if he had seen him again; but he shook his head.

"I'm not likely to," he said, and when I asked why he coloured a little and evaded answering, but I guessed what he meant.

"You mean that you could not take me to the sort of places where you would meet him?" I asked, and he said that men, especially bachelors, led a totally different life from that which they would desire their womenfolk to live.

"Leslie and I were everything to one another once," I said, rather wistfully. "But all my life seems to have changed since—"

"Since your marriage," he added for me as I stopped.

"Not that so much," I answered. I was thinking about Anthony Willard, but I had never spoken of him to Leslie, and I never intended to do so. All the part of my life was buried and left far behind.

"We were having dinner at Mario's that night, and were lingering over our coffee and cigarettes because neither of us had felt inclined to go on to a second."

There were not many people in the restaurant now, but it was warm and cheery, and I would far rather have been there, where there was something to distract my attention, than at home alone in the flat.

"Have you heard anything of Jeffrey?" Leslie Stafford asked suddenly. He avoided looking at me as he spoke, and I was very glad, for I felt the warm blood rushing to my face at the unexpected question.

"Nothing—and I don't expect to hear," I said quietly. "But I dare say he has arrived by this time."

There was a little silence.

"Will he be staying long?" Leslie asked again.

I shrugged my shoulders. "I know less about him than you do."

He refilled my coffee cup.

"I wonder what he would say if he could see me dining here with you," he said presently.

"Say! Why should he say anything? Am I not to have any friends?"

Jeffrey would not consider me a suitable friend for you, would he?"

"I am old enough to choose for myself," I said sharply.

Our eyes met across the table, and a sudden little queer feeling that was not fear, and yet strangely like it, went through me.

He was looking at me with an expression in his dark eyes that I had never seen there before, and with a swift desire to change the conversation I said: "What sort of gambling games do you and Laurie play when you are in the places you would not care for me to visit?"

He looked rather nonplussed at my blunt question, but he laughed.

"I'm not much of a gambler at any time. I'm not sufficiently well off for one thing, and you forget—I have only met your brother once."

"Well, and what was he playing then?" I urged.

"I think it was baccarat."

I leaned my chin in the palm of my hand.

"I should like to learn to play," I said eagerly. "The excitement must be wonderful."

A woman I knew once, who was a dreadful gambler, told me that there was no excitement like it in all the world—and she was dreadfully unlucky; she never won."

"Does anybody ever win?" he asked dryly.

"I never have."

A sudden idea flashed through my mind.

"Will you take me some day? I should love it! It would be such fun, and nobody would know—not that I care if they do. Oh, please say that you will."

He did not answer, but, looking at him in faint surprise, I saw that he was gazing steadily across the room towards the door.

I turned round sharply, following the direction of his eyes, and saw my brother Laurie.

"Talk of the devil!" I said with a little hysterical note of gladness in my voice. "Oh—whom is he with?"

For I could now see that he was not alone; another man and two rather flashily-dressed girls were following him down the room.

He saw me before he reached the table, which had evidently been reserved for him, and for a moment he stood still, staring at me in faint amazement; then, with a hurried apology to his companions, he came across.

(Translation, dramatic and all other rights secured.)

"Meg! Good heavens! Whoever thought of seeing you! And—with Stafford!"

There was a distinct note of disapproval in the last words, and instinctively I felt my pride rise at Leslie's defence.

All these days Laurie had not been near me; he had left me alone and wretched. How, then, dared he even appear to disapprove of my escort?

"You know one another, I think," I said. I was watching them both curiously, and I knew at once, by the stiff greeting they exchanged, that they did not like one another.

"He looked back in my chair and laughed."

"Who are your friends, Laurie?" I asked pointedly. "Won't you bring them over and introduce them?"

He answered hurriedly that I should not care for them—a fact which my first glance in their direction had told me—and he changed the subject by asking bluntly if I had heard from Jeffrey.

I felt myself colouring again.

"No—have you?" I asked coolly, and he frowned as he echoed my words. "Have I? You know jolly well I haven't."

"Then you know jolly well I haven't either," I answered sharply.

He looked across the room to his friends, and then back at me.

"Shall you be in if I come round and see you to-morrow, Meg?"

"I don't know; I can't promise. I might be or I might not. What time do you propose to call?"

I had tried to school myself to his indifference and neglect, and had believed I had succeeded, but now, at sight of him, the old ache

which had been in my heart since I had said "I'll come to lunch," he said.

I shook my head.

"I'm lunching out," I looked across at Leslie Stafford.

"Leslie," he added, deliberately, "I am a Christian name for the first time during our short acquaintance."

Laurie bit his lip.

"I'll come after lunch, then," he said shortly.

"I come to tea."

"I don't expect you," I answered flippantly.

"I shall come all the same," he said, and he walked away and went back to his friends.

I finished my coffee and drew my wrap closer round my shoulders. I felt tired and dispirited.

"Shall we go?" I asked.

MEG IS WARNED.

LESLIE rose at once. He looked very pre-occupied; he hardly spoke until we were driving away together. Then he said abruptly:

"Your brother does not approve of your friendship for me."

I laughed.

"I am sure you are wrong; he cares nothing for what I do or whom I know."

And my heart swelled with bitter indignation, as I remembered afresh how all my troubles were originally due to Laurie, and how poor a thing his gratitude had proved.

"If he calls to see you to-morrow he will tell you that I am not a fit friend for you," Leslie Stafford said again, positively.

"It will make no difference," I answered, lightly.

To my utter amazement he caught my hand.

"Meg, are you sure of that?"

I drew away from him with a little stifled exclamation. It was the first time that he had ever been anything but the most courteous of friends to me.

And again, that little nameless feeling which was so like fear, shot through my heart.

He saw at once that he had startled me, for he took his hand away, and changed his seat from beside me to the one opposite.

"I am sorry," he said, uneasily. "I beg your pardon, but—your friendship means a great deal to me—more than you can ever guess."

I did not know how to answer him, but at last I stammered out:—

"You have been so kind. Don't . . . don't spoil it all! I—I have nobody but you, you know."

He was silent for some minutes, then he said, very gently:—

"I am sorry—it shall not occur again; but just now—when you spoke to your brother of me—"

He spoke of me by my christian name, and I thought.

I could not tell him that I had just done that to anger Laurie. I sat silent, my hands pressed nervously together in my lap.

"I promise you it shall not occur again," he said presently, with a note of such deep sincerity in his voice that I felt reassured.

"It's all right—please forget it, as I shall," I said, and I held out my hand to him.

He raised it to his lips and kissed it very gently, and then, to my relief, the taxi stopped and we were at the flat.

As a rule, when we had dined out together, he came in for a few moments, but to-night I did not ask him to do so, and he was the first to bid me good night.

"And I am—forgiven?" he asked.

"Quite," I said. "Please forget it."

But I did not forget it, and for a long time that night I lay awake wondering what he had really meant.

He knew I was a married woman, and from the first we had agreed to be just ordinary friends. Why, then, had he allowed that moment of emotion to reach me?

"It's absurd—utterly absurd," I told myself again and again. "As if we could ever be anything but friends—even supposing . . ."

But I did not finish that thought.

When I got back from my lunch with Leslie the following day Laurie was waiting for me in the little drawing-room of the flat.

In a way I had not really expected him, although I had hoped he would come, and for a moment it seemed as if the old happy relationship between us was re-established as he rose to his feet and said: "Well, old girl! and, putting his hands on my shoulders, bent to kiss me."

And I forgot all my hurt pride and the dignity I had intended to maintain with him, and I put my arms round his neck tightly for a moment and said brokenly:—

"Oh, Laurie, why haven't you been to see me before? I've been so lonely. I have wanted to see you so badly."

He disengaged my arms and put me into a chair.

"Lonely! With that fellow dangling at your heels from morning till night?" he asked

tears.

I looked up at him slowly, the flush of happiness fading from my cheeks, the hardness creeping again to my heart.

"What do you mean?" I asked, with stiff lips.

I sat quite still. The blood in my veins

"I mean what I say. I'd heard about it before I saw you at dinner last night. Meg, how could you go to a public place like Mario's with—"

with such an unutterable bound?"

"I sat quite still. The blood in my veins seemed to freeze, and he went on rapidly:—

"I don't know how you met him or anything about it, but I do know that it's enough to blast any woman's reputation to be seen here, there and everywhere with Leslie Stafford. He's a thorough rascal. If Jeffrey knew that you were on friendly terms with him . . ."

I cut him short then. I rose to my feet, trembling in every limb.

"If you've come here only to say insulting things about my friends," I said, and my voice shook badly, "please never come again. Leslie Stafford has been most kind to me—kinder than you have. You have never once been near me or troubled to find out what I was doing. And as for quoting Jeffrey to me . . ."

"He's your husband, anyway, and he's keeping you," he interrupted violently; "and if he knew that Leslie Stafford was carling you round all over the place he'd stop your allowance in double quick time."

He walked away from me and came back again restlessly.

"Look here, Meg," he laid a hand on my shoulder. "You don't want to make a worse hash of things than you have done already. I dare say if the truth is known Jeffrey is having you watched as it is. I know what sort of a man he is, and wherever there is still in town, you know. You'd be darned sorry if he cut off that two thousand, wouldn't you? So take my advice and be careful how you behave."

I struck his hand down from my shoulder.

"How dare you! Oh, how dare you!" I

almost sobbed in my rage and wounded pride. "Do you think I care what either of you say—you and Jeffrey? Oh, go away—go away—I never want to see you again."

"It's no good making a scene," Laurie said unfeelingly. "I'm sorry if Leslie is a particular friend of yours, but he wouldn't be if you knew as much about him as I do. It's only your money he's after! He knows darned well what your income is, and he's broke to the wide himself."

"He's not. How can you say such wicked things!" I answered brokenly. "He knows nothing about me; I've never paid for a shilling's worth of anything since I've known him. He has always paid; he's been most kind. After all, who are you to talk about him? Even if it's true what you say, and I know it's not true."

My brother flushed angrily.

"Oh, of course, I knew you'd start on me," he said violently. "That's a woman all over. But we'll leave me out of the question just this once, if you don't mind, and keep to the subject. You're only a child, even if you are married, and the fact that everyone knows Jeffrey is away, and under rather peculiar circumstances, makes them notice what you do all the more."

"I started with it, it's all wrong for you to be living here alone."

That was more than I could stand. I knew that I was scarlet with passionate indignation as I flashed out:—

"And whose fault is that? Yours, of course, and you know it. You and I could not live with you, and I had to live somewhere. Oh!"

I broke out in uncontrollable passion, "I think you are hateful—hateful the way you have treated me—and we used to be so happy together." I added desolately and broke into bitter sobbing.

Laurie stifled an oath under his breath.

"It's your fault as much as mine," he said

gruffly. "You've changed out of all knowledge since that infernal dance. You never used to fly at me like this, and all because I give you some good advice. I tell you that Jeffrey kicked Leslie Stafford out of his house, and if he knows that you're going about with him he'll stop every penny piece of your allowance."

His voice rose excitedly, and with a little cold thrill I realised that it was not really my reputation that was worrying him at all, but the fear that I might lose my money.

Another fine instalment will appear to-morrow.

DEBENHAM & FREEBODY'S

LAST WEEK OF SALE.

Final Reductions Commencing TO-DAY.



BLOUSE JUMPER, in Schappe Crepe de Chine. Excellent for washing. In Pink and Mauve only. Original price 21s. Further Reduced **10/9**

Llama Woolen Knitted COAT in the open lace stitch, with small Scarf attached, in a variety of fashionable colours. A limited quantity only. Original price 52s. Further Reduced to **21/-**

Original Model **FUR WRAP** in finest quality Seal Musquit, with reverse skins in narrow stripes. Original price 119s. Further Reduced to **98s.**

170 Well-tailored **SUITS** in three different designs, of which sketch is a typical example, in a good quality Navy and Black Serge. Original price 125s. Further Reduced to **78/6**

TEA FROCK for young lady, in Crepe de Chine, finely pleated, double skirt finished with Floc edge, fancy braid at neck and belt, in many colours. **6s. gns.**

Post Orders cannot be executed.

REMNANT DAYS FRIDAY AND SATURDAY.

WIGMORE ST. & WELBECK ST., LONDON, W.1

BARKERS HALF-PRICE DAY TO-MORROW

The huge warehouse on the Fourth Floor devoted exclusively to piece goods will offer innumerable Half-price Remnant Bargains and Sale accumulations.

17/6 to 8/9

This is the famous Barker rule: the customer takes the Sale ticket and pays exactly one-half. SILKS AND FABRICS, BLOUSES, HATS, COATS, HOSIERY, GLOVES, GOLF COATS, UMBRELLAS, ETC. In addition, thousands of remnants of Government Linens will be offered at a discount of 25 per cent.

SILK OFFERS

Two exceptional Sale Values in the Barker Silk Section (Ground Floor).

5,000 yds. heavy quality all-silk Schappe Lingerie Crepe. Excellent washing and dependable wear for Blouses, Lingerie, etc. Colours: Ivory, Pink, Sky, Rose, Amethyst, Emerald, Navy and Black. 40ins. wide. **6/11**
Usual price 8/11.

2,000 yds. all-silk Crepe-de-Chine. A good quality in odd colours. Remaining from complete range colours, Mails Amethyst, Fraise, Purple, Prune, Bottle and Navy. 38in. wide. **6/11**
Usual price 8/11 and 9/11.

GREAT CLEARANCE SALE OF FUR COATS AND FURS

Further Reductions This Week Only.

Throughout This Week we are clearing our entire Stock of FUR COATS and FURS regardless of cost.

Some Examples of Bargains we are offering:

	Usual Price.	Present Price.
3 only Seal Musquash Coats, Skunk Collar and Cuffs.	90	50
2 only Persian Lamb Coats, Skunk Collar and Cuffs.	110	65
50 Rich Coney Seal Coats.	21	14
10 Model Fur Coats, various Furs.	40	26
14 Natural Musquash Coats, First Quality.	45	30
20 Mole Coney Coats.	30	18
20 Large Skunk Wraps and Stoles.	25	15
25 Large Skunk Muffs.	17	10
60 Odd Fur Stoles.	9	5
70 Skunk Opossum Stoles.	6	3½
30 Cloth Coats, lined fur.	12	8
100 Velour Cloth Coats, fur collars.	6	4
20 Large Natural Musquash Stoles.	7½	5

Pay us an early visit as this offer will not be repeated.
Stock Must Be Cleared This Week.

PERCY ROBINSON, Ltd.,
83, Westbourne Grove, W.

'Phone Park 382.

Close Saturdays, 1 o'clock.



Fine Electric Seal Coat with Skunk Collar. Usual Price 30 Gns. Sale Price 18 Gns.

HOLEPROOF LADIES' HOSE.

Two Months' Wear or another pair.

GREAT WINTER SALE FOR ONE WEEK ENDING JANUARY 19th.

Holeproof Lisle Hose. No. 254. Superior quality Silk Finish, specially strengthened Lisle, Toss & Tops. All sizes in Black, White, Nigger, Tan, Navy Grey & all colours. 2 1/2 or 3 pairs 5/6 or 4 pairs 10/6 or 6 pairs 15/9.

Also No. P. 25. A heavier weight Hose for Winter Wear. Same price. All sizes. In Black, Tan, Nigger, Heather & all colours. If unable to visit our London Showrooms order at once by post or by telephone on approval. Money returned if not approved. We receive thousands of repeat orders from satisfied customers.

We guarantee these Holeproof Hosiery to wear without holes or ladders for two months. If holes or ladders appear we will replace with new hose free.

THE LONDON HOLEPROOF HOSIERY CO.
53, DUKE STREET, OXFORD STREET, LONDON, W.1. (Opposite Selfridge's)

D. H. EVANS & CO., Ltd.

OXFORD STREET, LONDON, W.1

WEDNESDAY NEXT Even Money Bargains

AN EVENTFUL DAY IN THE WEST END SHOPPING WORLD

This Special Sale Day is an annual event well known to those who have patronised us on previous occasions. The Bargains offered will be the Very Best Values obtainable under present conditions.

SPECIAL OFFER. 50 pieces of TWEEDS, WOOL CHEVIOTS AND BLANKET CLOTHS

ALL ONE PRICE.

In a variety of Colours and Mixtures, 50 to 54in. wide. **6/-** per yard. Usual Prices, 8/11 to 12/11 per yard.

We strongly advise our customers to buy wool material now; manufacturers are asking us at least 25 per cent. advance on present prices for all future orders for Woollen Dress Fabrics.

NO PATTERNS CUT OR LETTER ORDERS EXECUTED.

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| 1/6 DAY, CRETONNES—Various designs. 31 inches wide, 1/6 per yard. | 10/- DAY, FEATHER COLLARS and Ruffles. |
| 1/6 DAY, COTTON DRESS FABRICS, 1/6 per yard. Patterns cannot be cut or sent. | 10/- DAY, HOUSEHOLD LINENS, Sheets, Pillow Cases, Damask Cloths and Towels. |
| 2/- DAY, LACE CURTAIN NET, Ivory; Plain or Lace Edge. 50 inches wide, 2/- per yard. | 12/- DAY, Rich Broche SILK in Light or Dark Shades for Dresses, etc. Double width. |
| 2/- DAY, LADIES' STOCKINGS in Black Lisle or Coloured Cotton. | 14/- DAY, DRESSING GOWNS, Various designs and colours. |
| 2/6 DAY, CHILDREN'S UNTRIMMED FELT HATS in Various Colours and Black. | 20/- DAY, COMBINATIONS, in Wool. Winter Weight. (Hosiery Dept.) |
| 5/- DAY, LADIES' COMBINATIONS. "Lena Lastik." Cream only. V Neck, short Sleeves. (Underclothing Dept.) | 20/- DAY, Knitted Wool COATS and JUMPERS. (Ladies' Hosiery Dept.) |
| 5/- DAY, UNTRIMMED FELT HATS. Best quality. In Black and Colours. | 20/- DAY, Smartly Trimmed HATS. |
| 6/- DAY, LADIES' COMBINATIONS in Nainsook, trimmed Lace. Golf shape only. (Underclothing Dept.) | 20/- DAY, a Large Variety of Wool and Silk and Wool SHIRTS. (Blouse Dept.) |
| 6/- DAY, MEN'S WINCEYETTE SHIRTS. Well made and Finished. | 30/- DAY, Artificial Silk and Woollen SPORTS COATS. Various designs and colours. (Sports Dept.) |
| 7/- DAY, UNDERSKIRTS, MOIRE ANTIQUE, various colours and Black. | 40/- DAY, DOWN QUILTS and WITNEY BLANKETS. |
| 8/- DAY, CHILDREN'S WOOL JERSEYS. Exceptional value. (Boys' Dept.) | 40/- DAY, Ladies' Fur Lined COATS. |
| 10/- DAY, Baby Linen Dept. Wool Hand-made Crochet COATS and CAPS in a few good colours. Sizes from 16 to 24 inches. | 40/- DAY, Silk Evening ROBES. (Robe Dept.) |
| 10/- DAY, Semi-trimmed HATS and Velour oddments. | 50/- DAY, Boys' School SUITS and OVERCOATS. |
| 10/- DAY, Model Shapes in Hatters' Plush, Velvet, etc. | 50/- DAY, Ladies' COATS, MANTLES and WRAPS, various styles. |
| 10/- DAY, Ladies' UMBRELLAS, various Handles, Reliable Covers. | 50/- DAY, Afternoon, Evening and Semi-Evening GOWNS. (Costume Dept.) |
| | 60/- DAY, Tailor-made COATS and SKIRTS. (Costume Dept.) |
| | 70/- DAY, Fancy Tweed Costume SKIRTS. Various colours. |
| | £7 DAY, Tailor-made COATS and SKIRTS. (Costume Dept.) |

WEDNESDAY NEXT will also be an
EXTRA REMNANT & ODDMENT DAY in all Depts.

D. H. EVANS & CO., Ltd., OXFORD ST., LONDON, W. 1



FASHION AND FANTASY.

THE low waistline shows a great tendency towards popularity in many of the newest afternoon gowns. Even in evening gowns it is being accentuated.

A GIRDLE OF MALINE wound round the hips of a pretty black satin evening gown, gives it a charming low-waisted effect. Jet bead trimming adorned the corsage and skirt part.

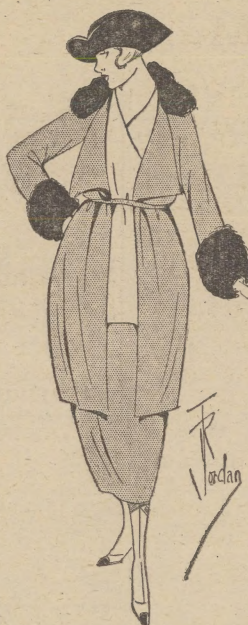
HERCULES BRAID soutache, rat-tail, military and, in fact, any type of braid is to be much used as adornments for spring tailor-made costumes.

PETER PAN collars are to be worn with the new bolero or Eton jacket street-wear suits.

METAL BROCADED silk and Chinese green satin were the effective materials of a charming evening cloak. The high ruffling collar and deep-bound silk armholes were of the brocade.

THE DIRECTOIRE COLLAR wired high and finished with a neat ribbon bow is the charming accompaniment of many of the new coat dresses for spring wear.

GOLD TINSEL thread interwoven with saxe blue silk made charming a new model jumper. Bands of gold finished sleeves, neck and hem, and the rounded



Skunk collar and cuffs adorn this tailor-made of beige duvetyne.

neck was edged with gold, which tied itself into a jaunty knot at the back, its long ends reaching to the narrow gold waistband.

SERGE, TRICOTINE gabardine, trico-serge jersey cloth and duvetyne are the materials which will be used for costumes and coat-frocks for spring wear. Buttons, braids, heavy silk, machine stitching and silk embroidery are only a few of the pretty things that will adorn them.

RUCHED NET of soft blue and fine lace made a delightful little bou-doir cap, which, with its wired wings of lace, looked exactly like the smart caps worn with the picturesque Dutch costume.

A GLYCERINE FEATHER of variegated shades perched itself jauntily at the front of an effective evening head band of delicately wrought silver tissue braid.

FRINGE AND MOLE fur was the pretty combination used for a novel set of furs. Mole-coloured fringe edged the fur cape and suspended itself in the centre of the barrel-shaped muff.

A CYCLAMEN-COLOURED ostrich feather rosette was the dainty finishing-touch which a smart woman gave to her simple evening gown of gold embroidered black ninon. **MARJORIE.**



UNCLE DICK'S LETTER.

Daily Mirror Office, Jan. 10.

MY DEAR BOYS AND GIRLS,—

Come along with those resolutions! Send me what you think is the best New Year resolution you have made (not more than fifty words) and win one of the thirty-two splendid prizes. How do you like the story? I can promise you some most exciting instalments this week—they are all about lions!

Your affectionate
Uncle Dick.



No. 8.—Jack Rescued from the Gorge.

JACK felt himself slipping, slipping—he seemed to be sliding down a rocky gorge. In vain he tried to grab something with his hands—on he went. What was at the bottom? When he fell Jack dropped his butterfly net. In a flash, despite his terrible predicament, he wondered if the beautiful butterfly had escaped. And then—bump! His feet had struck a small tree! He clung on to the branches, made himself secure and then took stock of his position.

MY PETS JOIN THE "SCRUM" AT A "WINTER SALE."



"Phew! How am I to get out of this?" he cried to himself. He began to cry out with all the strength of his lungs: "Ralph! Ralph! Nobo! Nobo!" and



"Lions, Massa Ralph!" cried Nobo.

in a little while he saw his friend's head and the black, curly mop of Nobo peering over the top of the gorge.

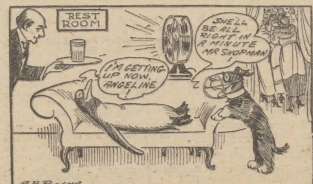
Now, Ralph was a clever boy, and he had planned this big-game hunting expedition in the jungle very well. He had brought with him a big coil of rope.

It was an easy matter to lower the rope and pull up the unlucky Jack. "You are a chap for getting into scrapes!" laughed Ralph as he brushed his friend down. "I wonder what you will do next! Anyhow, there's the butterfly which nearly cost you your life."

Camp was moved again that day and they pushed on for some miles through beautiful, luxuriant country. Towards evening Nobo suddenly grew very excited. He pointed to some big, cat-like footprints in the sand.

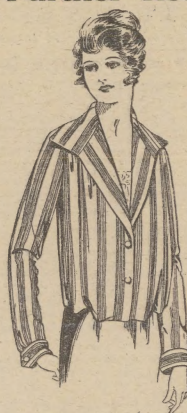
"Lions, Massa Ralph!" he cried. "Plenty lions hereabouts! Get your rifles ready!"

(To-morrow: The Lion "Trap.")



LAST WEEK OF PETER ROBINSON'S WINTER SALE

Further Reductions in all Departments.



"BUXTON"—Well-cut SHIRT in coloured striped washing lawn, various designs and styles, mostly as sketch. **SALE PRICE 7/6**



No. 1.—Satin HAT with the new full crown and becoming Breton brim. In Navy, Nigger and Black. **SALE PRICE 21/9**



No Sale goods can be sent on approval

No. 4.—Black Silice Kid Lace SHOE, patent toe-cap. **SALE PRICE 29/-**



"DURHAM"—Teddy Bear COAT, in many useful colours. Very warm, well-tailored. **SALE PRICE 63/-**

REMNANTS & ODDMENT DAYS
Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

PETER ROBINSON, Ltd., Oxford St., W.1.



Postal Orders should be crossed and Notes registered.

H.5. Sale Price 2/9 1/2 each. 2 for 5/6. Post 3d. Wonderful Value in Cream Flannelette Blouse Vests, warm, soft finish, full 46in. long. Large size. Worth 5/11.

U91. Post 2d. Sale Price 3/9 1/2. Extra value in Winter-Waistcoat Directoire Knickers, full size and gusseted. Colours: Navy, Saxe, Cream, Grey, Silver or Tan.

U97. Post 2d. Sale Price 2/9 1/2. Cream Knitted Woolen Sleeping Socks. Worth 5/11.

U98. Post 2d. Sale Price 2/9 1/2. Good quality Cream Woollen Socks. Colours: Navy, Saxe, Cream, Grey, Silver or Tan.

U99. Post 2d. Sale Price 2/9 1/2. Good quality Cream Woollen Socks. Colours: Navy, Saxe, Cream, Grey, Silver or Tan.

Pettits

191-195, Kensington High Street, W.8.

SALE BARGAINS

U92. Post 2d. Sale Price 2/9 1/2. Tremendous Bargain. Full fitting, heavy knitted trashed woolen sports coat, as sketch, in Heather mixture of Wine, Green, Blue & Fawn, or Grey & Amethyst.

U93. Post 2d. Sale Price 2/9 1/2. Extraordinary quality Froek for Maids, cut on straight lines, 2 sleeves, V-neck, hand-cuffed, gathered at waist with new-style Black Velvet Ribbon Sash. Made in Crepe-de-Chine. Black and all Colours. 48 in. 36 in. 39 in. 42 in. 45 in. 48 in. 49 in. 50 in. 51 in. 52 in. 53 in. 54 in. 55 in. 56 in. 57 in. 58 in. 59 in. 60 in. 61 in. 62 in. 63 in. 64 in. 65 in. 66 in. 67 in. 68 in. 69 in. 70 in. 71 in. 72 in. 73 in. 74 in. 75 in. 76 in. 77 in. 78 in. 79 in. 80 in. 81 in. 82 in. 83 in. 84 in. 85 in. 86 in. 87 in. 88 in. 89 in. 90 in. 91 in. 92 in. 93 in. 94 in. 95 in. 96 in. 97 in. 98 in. 99 in. 100 in. 101 in. 102 in. 103 in. 104 in. 105 in. 106 in. 107 in. 108 in. 109 in. 110 in. 111 in. 112 in. 113 in. 114 in. 115 in. 116 in. 117 in. 118 in. 119 in. 120 in. 121 in. 122 in. 123 in. 124 in. 125 in. 126 in. 127 in. 128 in. 129 in. 130 in. 131 in. 132 in. 133 in. 134 in. 135 in. 136 in. 137 in. 138 in. 139 in. 140 in. 141 in. 142 in. 143 in. 144 in. 145 in. 146 in. 147 in. 148 in. 149 in. 150 in. 151 in. 152 in. 153 in. 154 in. 155 in. 156 in. 157 in. 158 in. 159 in. 160 in. 161 in. 162 in. 163 in. 164 in. 165 in. 166 in. 167 in. 168 in. 169 in. 170 in. 171 in. 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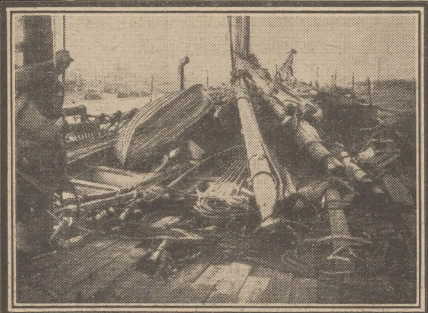
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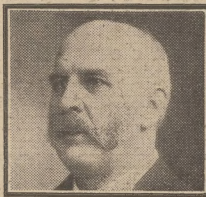
MISHAP ON MAIDEN TRIP.



A view of the damage wrought by a falling mast on board the motor-schooner Ilmarinen Wipuri when the vessel was on her maiden voyage from Finland to Spain with a cargo of timber. A gale was responsible for the mishap.



ASHTON BY ELECTION.—Mr. W. C. Robinson, who is the Labour candidate for Ashton-under-Lyne, recently vacated by Sir Albert Stanley.



PAISLEY'S M.P. DIES.—Sir John M. McCallum, who has been presented Paisley, since 1896, has just died at his residence in the town after a protracted illness.

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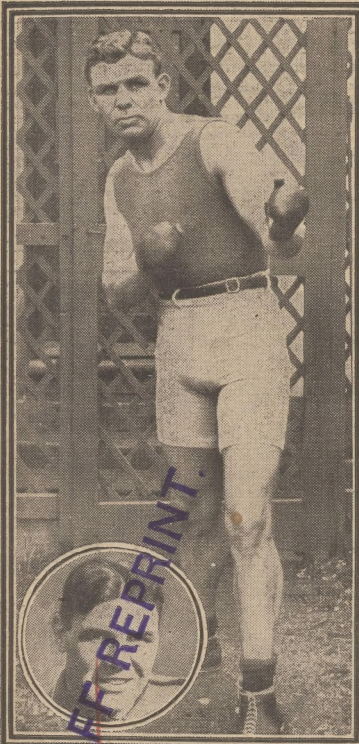
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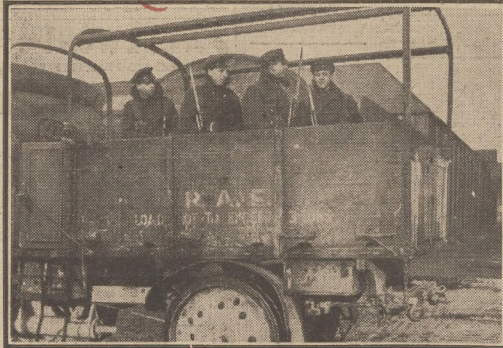
At Cincinnati these girls, themselves blind, are making a special Christmas book for sighted British soldiers. For each soldier two different books will be printed and extra copies taken for the use of civilians.



HAYCART AS HEARSE.—The late Mr. Charles E. Green, publisher, expressed the wish to have his coffin carried on a haycart and drawn by Clydesdale horses. The picture shows the accedance to this request.



BECKETT v. SMITH.—Joe Beckett, the well-known boxer, whose match with Georges Carpentier created such record interest recently, will be opposed by Dick Smith (inset) at the Albert Hall on Jan. 30, when a keen contest is anticipated.



An armed guard employed in protecting a R.A.F. petrol supply.



Sentries on duty at the premises of the Anglo-American Oil Company.

DUBLIN'S DISTURBANCES.—In view of recent acts of violence, the authorities are adopting precautionary measures at places of importance. Patrols similar to the above are frequently in evidence.—(Daily Mirror photographs.)



NOT THE NORTH POLE.—When the snow is wet and sticky it clings to one's skis and requires cleaning off. This photograph from Switzerland gives some idea of the length of a ski, the top of which can just be reached when the ski is vertical.